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Response to Final Office Action mailed 08/26/2004 [49 pages].

Applicant:	<u>Lirio Quintero</u>	Group Art Unit:	<u>1712</u>
Serial No.:	<u>10/023,273</u>	Examiner:	<u>P. Tucker</u>
Filing Date:	<u>12/14/2001</u>	Atty. Docket No.:	<u>154-26969-US</u>
Title:	<u>Surfactant-Polymer Composition for Substantially Solid-Free Water Based Drilling, Drill-in and Completion Fluids</u>		

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:	§	Group Art Unit:	1712
Lirio Quintero	§		
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Serial No.: 10/023,273	§		
	§	Examiner: Tucker, P.	
Filed: December 14, 2001	§		
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For: Surfactant-Polymer Composition	§		
for Substantially Solid-Free Water	§	Atty. Docket: B154-26969	
Based Drilling, Drill-in and	§		
Completion Fluids	§		

RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION

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In response to the Final Action mailed August 26, 2004, please amend the referenced application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 48 of this paper.